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POWER
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POWER PROJECTS OF NORTH EAST
GUNIPATI RAMAIAH;SATYAVRAT CHATURVEDI;SUNDER LAL TIWARI

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether various power projects of the North-East have been held in abeyance due to local problems;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government are considering to provide power from new projects for the use of local people; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA)

(a) & (b) : Dhansiri Hydro Electric Project (20 MW) being executed by Assam State Electricity Board in Assam and Loktak Downstream Hydroelectric Project (90 MW) being executed by the National Hydro-electric Power Corporation in Manipur are being held up due to law and order problems and adverse security environment. In addition, Tipaimukh Hydro Electric Project (1500 MW) in Manipur on which detailed investigation and pre-construction activities are proposed to be taken up by the North East Electric Power Corporation (NEEPCO) is facing opposition from the section of the local people apart from the adverse security environment in the area.

(c) & (d) : Power to be generated by all new projects in the North Eastern Region will first meet the requirement of the region and only surplus power will be exported outside the region.